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FEBRUARY

We will salute our friends to the south - Mexico and announce final convention plans in the March issue of TNA NEWS

5th REMEMBER - The

LYMAN BARTEE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Time is short between now and the convention. There are several things we need to do now. (1) Cast your ballot for your candidates for the various offices. (2) Make your plans to attend the 1973 convention in Fort Worth (3) Please select a club representative who can attend the breakfast. (4) Please pay your dues for 1973 and let's get started on a membership drive for 1973 We are moving forward and now is the time to accelerate our forward thrust.

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There will be a few new faces in the official TNA family this year and we can make things easier for them if we all help even a little.

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We are in need of some patrons for the Miniature TNA NEWS. If you liked the idea last year, then send your check for $2.50 (proceeds pay printing costs) to the TNA NEWS editor by February 25. If any member has a suggestion for the improvement of TNA, please write me and we will see what can be done

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Law enforcement officers are to be congratulated upon the arrest of the three persons allegedly responsible for the Frank Norris robbery in McAllen, Texas I wonder if this will lead to the solving of other crimes which have happened to other collectors and dealers in Texas? Where do these stolen coins go? Seems like someone buys them—either for personal use or re-sale Let's help to stop this!

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Candidates Named

The following nominees for officers and district governors to serve the Texas Numismatic Association for 1973-74, a two-year term, have been duly nominated. Nominations are now closed. Voting will be by mail ballot to be sent to each voting member by March 10. Ballots must be returned in the envelope marked "Official Ballot." Write-in nominations may be made providing that written consent of the nominee has been filed with the TNA secretary by March 10. Biographical data and photos were not complete on the announced candidates at press time.

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DISTRICT VI: Charlotte Nichols, Houston	1876
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DISTRICT VIII: John C. Face, Corpus Christi	1783
DISTRICT IX: D. O. Joplin, Levelland	1330
DISTRICT X: No Nomination.	
DISTRICT XI: Ernest Cummings, Stratford	1634
DISTRICT XII: No Nomination.	
DISTRICT XIII: W. C. Williams, Wichita Falls	1401
DISTRICT XIV: L. G. Davenport Jr., Edinburg	1951
DISTRICT XV: Jerry Williams, Beaumont	LM62
DISTRICT XVI: Fred Brooks, Corsicana	1741

BY W. C. WILLIAMS
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Love Tokens have been associated with Valentine's Day for many years and this is a very appropriate time, as most of these were once given to a loved one on special occasions.

Collectors and dealers have had mixed emotions about these for many years. To understand the change in feelings, we will have to examine the background of these metal objects which have been treated like "illegitimate children" of the numismatic family, by far too many members of the group.

It started out just like all the other coins that left the mint, however, somewhere along the way it was selected for something special—a gift, token of love, friendship, remembrance or some other special event. It was about to undergo a change which would alter the course of its destiny. The engraver would remove all of the identifiable marks on one, or both sides, and normally this was the reverse side only. At this time it ceased to exist as a coin, legally and otherwise. Then the engraver would inscribe the desired initials, designs, names or other mementos desired by the individual having the work done. At this time, the "Love Token" was considered to be more desirable than its counterpart. It would be worn as a pin, necklace, put away as a keepsake, etc.

Its brothers and sisters went on about the business of commerce and industry. A few would be saved by collectors, some were lost or misplaced, but the vast majority were passed from one person to another until they were worn out and had to be replaced. The Love Token was different—it removed from circulation to be cherished and given tender loving care by most recipients. In most cases this was many years ago —60 to 100 years—there were some earlier and some later but the majority were made within this 40-year period.

There is strong evidence that some coin collectors of the late 19th and early 20th centuries had coins made into Love Tokens. Why Not? There were plenty of coins available and what could be a more appropriate gift from one who appreciated coins, and probably more have been found on proof coins of the 1880's than any other. The coin dealers of the time probably did not mind, as a matter of fact some of the newer Love Tokens made at fairs and carnivals on Liberty Seated and Bust type coins were probably purchased from coin dealers. These were of little value to the dealer or collector at this time.

A comparison of the feelings of different groups would probably be similar to the feelings of today in regard to the cut-out jewelry. Many dealers sell these to coin collectors, and non-collectors buy it at a premium to wear or to give to friends. Some of today's dealers and collectors are strongly opposed to this practice while other coin dealers, collectors and non-collectors are delighted

These two groups probably comprise a very small minority. The vast majority do not appear to have strong feelings of these same groups as the time Love Tokens were being made.

It would be hard to put a date on the beginning of the specialty or general Love Token collector, at most likely goes back prior to 1900. The specialty collectors were few in numbers prior to 1940. They were looking for tokens of each denomination, design and various other things unique to the Love Tokens. In the 1940's they were joined by some general collectors, most of the coin folders only showed one side of the coin, and the collector with a limited income could pick up a love token for his type book (especially the Seated dime type) in the dealers bargain boxes. The obverse would be extra fine to about uncirculated and nobody could see the reverse. Many of these collectors would advance to a book that showed both sides of the coin and would replace these with regular coins. Many of these collectors kept these Love Tokens for sentimental reasons. Other collectors looked for them with certain specific initials on them to keep or give as gifts.

In the late 1950's and early 1960's, the "coin boom" was on and the attitude of many of the dealers and collectors (many were new to the hobby at this time) toward the Love Tokens changed and could be summed up by the statement of one individual—he was looking at a beautiful specimen of a token and was told what it was called, he looked for a few minutes and said disgustingly, "They got the right name alright, I'd love to wring the guy's neck who ruined this coin."

In the late 1950's very few of the dealers (hip pocket to international) were using the term "Love Token" and most of them were marketing them as "engraved coins." In the 1960's this was gradually changed and at the beginning of the 1970's, probably 85 per cent or more of the engraved coins in 2x2 holders are labeled "Love Tokens." There are still some dealers at coin shows who do not know what a Love Token is, but they are becoming fewer and fewer.

Some of the old time collectors and dealers (and a few of the new) consider the term "Love Token" to be a nickname for what they still consider to be "engraved coins" — however, nearly all of this group have accepted and many prefer the nickname to what they consider the proper one.

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MEMBERSHIP STANDING

TOTAL MEMBERS 887 — CLUBS 63

NEW MEMBERS, JAN. 1, 11

RESIGNATIONS, 4 — REINSTATEMENT, 1

BY JANUARY 1, 1973, 456 MEMBERS HAD PAID DUES FOR THE YEAR.

The Earliest Anno Domini Dated Coins

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Winner of the HOWLAND WOOD MEMORIAL GRAND AWARD at the ANA convention in Washington, D.C., 1971

II—Mediaeval Letters and Numbers

Dave Cervin

Broadly speaking those who gather coins other than for their daily purchasing power are called either coin collectors or numismatists. The former find pleasure in the beauty, the number, the quality, and the routine cataloging of coins. The latter is more interesting in the study of coins, oftentimes requiring some research or at least the thoughtful digging into textbooks. Clearly, the fields overlap. One cannot gather coins without the emission of some study, and one cannot intimately study coins without gathering them. It is probably better to call all who gather coins numismatists and then qualify the latter by degree of study. Those who stay with this series even though their interest is casual might fairly be called "numismatic scholars."

There is just no way to attribute pre-1500 dated coins without devoting solid and genuine study. But the rewards are there. Few accomplishments can be so satisfying as taking a coin that was struck before Columbus discovered America and that appears to be totally mystifying, studying it intimately and carefully and winding up with its knowledgeable attribution.

Before tackling any coins it will be necessary to study mediaeval letters and numbers. Though basically as we employ today there are a few major and numerous minor changes or variants. Then we are confronted with the fact that all legends are in Latin, and to this there would appear to be no exceptions. Latin was and is the universal language for the Catholic Church, and the Church pretty well ruled mediaeval kingdoms. Latin is normally not a deterrant to the non-Latin student due to the frequent similarity of Latin and English words. Where further aid is necessary, a Latin-English dictionary at the public library will often offer a useful solution. Latin abbreviations can cause real problems, sometimes unsolvable. Here intuitive ideas and

MEDIAEVAL LETTERS & NUMBERS

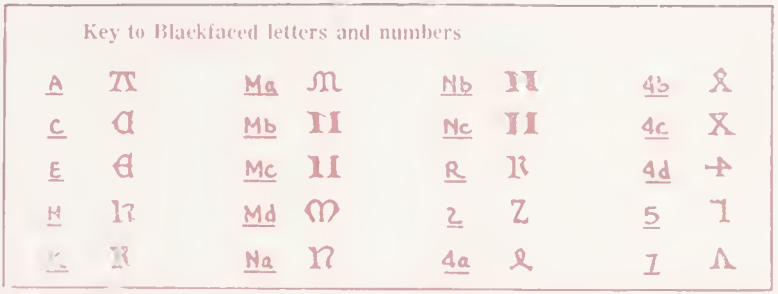

Figure 2. Where the text has blackfaced letters or numbers, the mediaeval equivalent may be found from this tabulation. It will be repeated with each future article.

sheer guesses may develop acceptable solutions. Clearly, books on mediaeval numismatics would be a real aid, but for the purpose of this series we must necessarily dispense with them except for Albert R. Frey's "The Dated European Coinage Prior to 1501." Even then the reader will not be expected to have a copy. The few references to it will be readily understood.

Figure 1 shows variants in letters and numbers that are quite alien to our understanding. Note the extensive use of ceriphs and glyphs which, though basically artistic, can easily slow our recognition, especially where the coin has considerable wear, and "considerable wear" is the rule, not the exception. Outside of a very few crowns that made their appearance late in the 15th century, there are just no UNC mediaeval coins. Judged by present day standards (see Yoeman) few could be classed better than good. Most would be fair, or even less than fair which is below Yoeman's grading scale.

In Figure 1a, note that our U is shown V, as U is not found in the Latin alphabet. Also J did not make its appearance until late in the sixteenth century. The Romans settled for I in lieu of a J.

Four M's are shown. The first is the usual and is nearly always used for the Roman numeral one thousand. The next two may be occasionally found when the M is required as a letter. The third M, which looks exactly like an H, was used principally in Saxony and Pomerania. The fourth M is variant found in the Nordic area, actually in what is now Denmark. Clearly it can all be very confusing.

The first N is also the usual. The second and third invariably look like II because the thin diagonals are prone to wear off. The reverse N is moderately rare though it appeared on coins for at least another century.

The closing of the C & E is normal, although occasionally they are left open. It is easy to mistake C for E and vice versa due to the extensive, if not exaggerated, use of ceriphs. Care must also be taken not to confuse G for 6, H for N, K for R, and II for M.

Figure 1b shows some of the results when the engraver failed to employ restraint on his enthusiasm. Note how an L can appear to be a V, a K an R, and some Ns could be mistaken for H. This form of ar-

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tistry employed by the mediaeval engravers, plus the large amount of wear usually encountered, can make the attribution of a coin quite a challenge.

Figure 1c shows mediaeval variants of numbers. Our 2 is usually shown by a Z. However, Z is also used for and (usually with a short horizontal line thru the center), and as an abbreviation for Zeeland.

The truly interesting number is 4. For over 1500 years the educated populace of Europe used only the

Figure 3. This is 17 as made today in Continental Europe. Note that the 7 is only a small variant of the mediaeval 7, and then crossed to differentiate it from the 1.

Roman IIII for 4. (Not IV, incidentally. This came in late in the 16th century.) The Roman Numerals were just too logical and simple for the great masses to consider a change that would lend itself better to mathematical manipulations. However, mediaeval scientists deduced that some better method must be adopted to simplify methods of calculation. Thus the cursive form of E as 4 (possibly the fourth letter of some variant of the Greek alphabet) was adopted and is first found in the eleventh century manuscripts. At this point it is evident that few, if any, of the mediaeval characters shown on Figure 1 can be found in modern typesetting facilities. To conquer this problem refer to Figure 2 which has the heading, Key to Blacktaced Letters & Numerals. Then below are shown mediaeval letters and numbers with the closest corresponding present day letter or numeral. However the latter is always underlined. Thus the cursive form of E is shown in the chart as 4a. This key will be included with all future parts to this series.

With Gutenburg's invention of printing (c. 1455), it was found that 4a was not only hard to make but it often filled with ink. Thus the shape was squared off to an X closed at the top, 4c. This proved not too satisfactory as it tended to be confused with an X, especially when the top line tended to be rubbed off. Then someone conceived of turning it 45 degrees both clockwise, 4c, and counterclockwise, 4. The former didn't take, but the latter did, and, presto! we have our 4. Very occasionally the upper part of 4c was capped, thus 4b, which more closely resembles the original 4a. However there was no definite evolution of the several shapes. Thus all five shapes, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d & 4, are used within a few years of one another and in no special time pattern. It just depended on who liked what.

Although 5 was normally shown as

Figure 4. Try and read these numbers and words before finding the answer in the text.

we use it today, there is a medieval variant that is quite unique. As shown by Figure 1c, it is sort of an upside-down L, and very close to our 7. It was very infrequently used.

Our 7 was not only never used in medieval times, but it is still not employed in Continental Europe. Before 1500 it was shown as an upside-down V, with sometimes a very slight turning. Today the latter is used in Continental Europe but with the vertical line crossed. When uncrossed it today stands for 1. Thus for 17, Continental Europe writes as shown by Figure 3.

Now let us apply what we have learned and see what we can do with the letters and numbers shown in Figure 4. The first is, of course, AACHEN, the true cradle of Anno Domini dating. This we shall explore later.

Next we find the date 1477, the year that Charles the Bold was killed by Louis XI in battle, and his daughter, Maria, inherited his Burgundian lands. Maria issued coins, very rare for a woman during this segment of history. She must have paved the way as Isobel of Castile was soon to follow, and then Mary (granddaughter of Isobel) and Elizabeth of England continued the pattern.

The next date is a little trickier, but from our learning we read it as 1457. Watch the upside down L. It appears to have been used on only two coins, both of which will be examined later.

The last of our numbers is 1497, but with 4a as 4.

Lastly we come to a little rock-crusher that may cause you to think of exiting from this short course on

CLUB SALUTE!

Texas Numismatic Association wishes to honor its chapter members so the Governing Board has established a new award to salute the three top clubs of Texas. The awards will be made annually at the Governors and Club Representatives breakfast during TNA conventions. The CLUB SALUTE AWARD will carry first, second and third honors. Clubs participating must be TNA members in good standing.

Here's all you do to enter competition - submit a typewritten report of club activities during the calendar year of 1972 no later than January 15, 1973 to the TNA News Editor, Box 74, Wesloco, Texas and include the following.

1. Name of club and how many members.
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3. Types of programs and any special programs held during the yeor.
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8. Special honors bestowed upon club or any member.
9. Describe how your meetings and shows are publicized.
10. List any ideas your club has adopted to increase interest.

attributing mediaeval coins. But just think about it, don't give it up. This is an admirable example of how trying to read a mediaeval coin can be extremely difficult to the point of being almost exasperating. What is shown is part of the legend of a gold gulden issued by Riehl in 1438.

We must first introduce a new bit of information. The end of a word (or an abbreviation) is often shown by what we would call an apostrophe. Now let us examine the separate symbols.

At the extreme left is one end of a long cross that blends with the letter M, identified in Key to Underlined Letters and Numbers as Mb. But note the awkward location of the center part of the M. It is so far to the left that it looks like a little like a backward N, or Nc. The O is easily read, followed by an apostrophe, so MO is a word or an abbreviation.

The next letter is extremely hard to identify because it blends with both the preceding apostrophe and the succeeding letter. At first glance it appears to be a T; actually it is an R, shown as R on the key. It can be readily identified by hiding the preceding apostrophe and the succeeding letter.

Now for the last letter. What is it? To some it has the appearance of a P. However, if one overlooks the preceding letter and the apostrophe at the end, a fairly clear I results. Thus we have: MO RI.

Mo is an abbreviation for MONETA, or Money, and RI is an abbreviation for RILE, which is the mediaeval spelling of Riehl, a town on the lower Rhine. Thus this attributes to "Money of Riehl."

Right away you will ask, "How is the neophyte going to know that MO is an abbreviation for MONETA, or that RI is an abbreviation for RILE, which means Riehl, a town on the lower Rhine still in existence?" He can't know. He needs some aids, and he can't be expected to acquire a Latin-English dictionary, or go to the public library every time he runs across a Latin word. So we need to compose a short dictionary, or glossary, of Latin words applicable to this period of coinage. It will usefully include quotations from the Bible and other often repeated phrases.

So next month will be devoted to the topic of **Reading Legends on Mediaeval Coins.** Included will be a glossary of Latin words applicable to our work. You may find it useful to preserve this issue (if not the whole series) as a part of your permanent numismatic library.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS!!

The Downtowner Motor Inn, across the street from Tarrant County Convention Center where TNA convention activities will take place, is located at 1010 Houston St., Fort Worth 76102. Make your motel reservations early for the 1973 TNA convention. Write to the above address or phone 817 336-2011.

ELECTROTYPES

An electrotype is a facsimile of a coin produced by the electrolytic method. A wax mold of the original is suspended in a plating bath until a thin shell of metal is formed. This shell is then backed with a base metal (usually type metal) and the obverse and reverse are joined to form the replica. Electrotypes exist of nearly all rare coins.

TOPICAL COLLECTING

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AVIATION ON COINS

Aviation is one of the smaller topical themes, there being only two real coins, one coin of questionable purpose and one outright fantasy. There are many other series, coin commemoratives, postage stamps that [illegible] be considered as aviation related.

Mechanical aviation became a reality around the turn of the last century but it was [illegible] before it was [illegible]. The first coinage was the 1930 German Graf Zeppelin 3 and 5 Mark commemoratives of the Weimar Republic.

The Graf Zeppelin airship LZ 127 was constructed in 1928. Commercial service began in 1929 and continued until 1937, after almost 600 intercontinental flights. During this time there were additional airships and the abrupt ending of this mode of transportation was caused by the Lakehurst, N. J. crash of the airship Hindenburg. The original Zeppelin was a rigid airship lighter than air constructed in 1899-1900 by Ferdinand Count von Zeppelin. The term "rigid airship" applies to the method of construction where the exterior form is maintained by a rigid form contained within the envelope. The common reverse design of this series shows the Graf Zeppelin airship above the Northern hemisphere, obverse design shows the traditional German Eagle. A date set of this coin would include six 3-Marks and six 5-Marks.

The second coin is the 5000 Reis denomination of Brazil, issued in 1936-1938. This coin is different from

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TOPICAL THEME—Above are two of the coins described in "Aviation on Coins"—the Graf Zeppelin from Germany and the 5000 Reis of Brazil. Both fall into the category of Topical Collecting.

NUMISMATIC ERRORS

— A NEW FIELD —

Researched, Discussed & Presented
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NUMISMATIC NOMENCLATURE

L G Davenport

Numismatics is no exception to the rule where communications are involved. Yes, it has a jargon all its own and each segment has nomenclature peculiar unto itself, but no other field can match the profusion of names and terms as are applied to numismatic errors.

The natural inclination is to name numismatic errors with discriptive terms referring to their causes. This is a very good method, but as is evidenced by the multitude of misnomers, has lead to confusion rather than enlightment. Even knowledgable people in this field disagree on names and terms at times, because no standard set of detimtions and terms have been arrived at thus far. A clear cut definition of the terms "major" and "minor" errors have not been agreed to within the hobby, yet they are widely used, amazingly enough, with little difficulty.

The need for standard definitions and terms has been recognized and are currently being worked on jointly by the two leading national numismatic error clubs—NECA (Numismatic Error Collectors of America) and CONE (Collectors of Numismatic Errors.)

Although great strides have been made in determining the true causes of numismatic errors, our problem of sematics persists. The field abounds with exotic designations and misnomers. This month we will be looking at some of the misnomers and strange names.

As stated before, to better understand mint errors, a working knowledge of die making and minting procedures are essential. So as usual we will be dealing with some facets in this area also.

Our first example of a misnomer is probably the best known and least understood mint error with the average coin collector. It is the "clipped" planchet error. Without a working knowledge of minting operations, one might easily mistake clipping as the cause of the error, but this is an inaccurate description. Generally nothing is clipped from a planchet, it is a very rare occasion when this type of error happens. The planchet is simply manufactured in such a way that there is insufficient metal present during the blanking operation to produce a complete planchet. An examination of the ditferent types and causes of "clipped" planchet errors will be dealt with in an article some time in the future.

Another well known and highly publicized mint error much in prominence today is the "double die" cents. This too is a misnomer in my opinion (there are some experts who will disagree). To understand the cause of this error, one must have some basic knowledge of die

making. Here is where the error occured. During the hubbing operation, a mismarrage of the die and the hub caused a doubling on the die. Rotating the die at one of the later stages of the hubbing operation was the cause of the error rather than either of misconceptions of double striking or die bouncing that led to the misnomer. A closer look at the cause of this type of error is planned for the future also.

These are but two of many misnomers in the numismatic error field. Even though the true causes of these errors are widely known and accepted within the error field, renaming with descriptive terms seems unlikely since changing established ones is extremely difficult.

Coinage dies deteriorate with continued usage. The extreme pressures and shocks they are subjected to during the course of striking coins will cause metal fatigue. If continued indefinitely, the dies will have a serious breakdown. The design a die bears is a major factor in its longevity and the course of its retrogression. Die deterioration is much in evidence on our coinage today as it has been down through the years.

The breakdown of dies fall into two categories—chipping and cracking. Chipping or cracking along with the design on the die can and does produce some rather unusual markings and a wide variety of effects. This is of course the reason for some of the exotic terminology so often associated with numismatic errors. There are hundreds of minor mint errors that fall into this category that could have been used to illustrate my point, but I chose two related recurring error types of the Lincoln cent series. They are the "cracked skull" and "spiked head" Lincoln cent mint errors.

Every design has its own distinctive characteristics and causes the die to chip or break accordingly.

SPIKED HEAD—This is a frequent error that occurs with Lincoln cents. The die break in this instance is much more scarce than most since the die tends to break most often in the area occupied by the word "We." The above is a 1943 steel cent.

RARE CLIP—A major curved "clipped" planchet is shown above. The normal weight of a cent is 48 grains. The weight of this coin is 23.19 grains or 51.7 per cent missing by weight. "Clips" this large are extremely rare.

The design of the Lincoln cent lends itself quite well to chipping and/or cracking in the head area. The cavity made by Lincoln's head in the obverse die and the large amount of field area on the reverse die are two ingredients that sets the stage for this type of error. Under the tons of pressure used to strike cents, the metal that makes up the planchet flows as though it were liquid into every detail of the die. With a large cavity area in the die on one side and relative little place on the other side to move, the metal flow will exert extreme pressures on all sides of the cavity area. This coupled with shock of striking the planchet takes its toll and eventually the obverse die will chip or crack or on occasions do both

The pressure of the metal flow will not only cause the die to crack, but also will spread the die apart and allow metal to flow into the crack. The result will be a raised line of metal on the coin coinciding with the crack in the die. This is refered to as a cracked die error within the hobby. When an obverse die for a Lincoln cent cracks in the head area, it produces one of two types of mint errors. If the crack is confined to the head area only, it is known as a "cracked skull" error. If however, the crack extends outward to the rim, it is known as a "spiked head" error. Both of these error types are popular with collectors and are assembled by date and mint as well as by location.

Since I will be using the terms major and minor in connection with various mint errors, here is my definition of the terms. A MAJOR ERROR IS ONE THAT IS UNIQUE. THERE MAY BE SIMILAR TYPES BUT NO EXACT DUPLICATES, EXCEPT BY COINCIDENCE. THIS TYPE OF ERROR IS ASSOCIATED WITH MINTING PROCESSES. A MINOR ERROR IS ONE THAT HAS OR IS CAPABLE OF HAVING EXACT DUPLICATES. THIS TYPE OF ERROR IS ASSOCIATED WITH DIE MAKING AND DIE DETERIORATION.

A "clipped" planchet error is considered to be a major mint error under the terms of this definition while a "double die" is considered to be a minor mint error. A "clipped" planchet error will have no other exact duplicate except by coincidence, which is highly unlikely. This type of mint error occurs frequently during the blanking operation of the minting process. It should be pointed out that some types are scarcer than others and still others are quite rare. Common types are also scarce with major portions missing. The "double die" mint error may have many exact duplicates because the error is on a die that is capable of striking many, many coins, but this type of error doesn't happen very often.

"Major mint error" and "minor mint error" are necessary terms that have long been associated with the hobby and should rightfully continue to be used, but they are at times confusing and even controversial.

ISABEL DIES

Morris A. Isabel passed away January 5 at Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo.

Mr. Isabel was an active member of the San Angelo Coin Club and served as TNA club representative He was 52.

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THE COLONIAL MINTS OF LATIN AMERICA

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THE GUATEMALA MINT

Brent Brown

One interesting area of study for the numismatist who specializes in Latin America is the Colonial history of the mint at Guatemala. This mint operated as a Spanish Colonial mint from 1733-1822. Before the opening of the mint the Guatemalans used numerous items as medium of exchange. Some of these items included tokens issued from 1699-1771 by Haciendas, towns and merchants. At the same time, coins from the other Colonial mints and some barter items were used as money.

The history of the official Spanish mint in Guatemala dates from 1714 when the Marquis of Torrecampo, Don Jose de Cosio y Campa, requested permission from the Council of the Indies to begin the coining of money in Guatemala. The AYUNTAMIENTO (Town Council) of Guatemala City made the same request on March 13, 1718. Later the AYUNTAMIENTO, without Royal approval, ordered the establishment of a small mill in the Town Hall for the coining of several hundred thousand silver pesos. It was the Marquis de Casa-Fuerte who secured from Philip V, King of Spain, the right to coin money in Guatemala. He received on January 17, 1731, permission to open a mint. The news was received in Guatemala the following August. The machinery and technicians necessary for the operation of the mint arrived in Guatemala on February 17, 1733.

The mint was constructed next to the Palacio de la Real Audiencia. It was completed on July 13, 1738. The earthquake of March 4, 1751, caused considerable damage to the mint and on January 17, 1752, a lieutenant general of the Royal army, Don Jose Vasquez Prego Montaos y Sotomayor, arranged to improve and enlarge the mint facilities. Luis Diez de Navarro was placed in charge of the work. The repairs were completed in 1759 at the expense of 84,334 pesos.

In 1777, the governmental offices of Guatemala, including the mint, were moved to a new capitol city. The mint mark of Guatemala struck coins had been "G". When the mint moved, "NG" was adopted as the mint mark of those coins struck at the new capitol. The old capitol had been called Guatemala and the new capitol adopted the same name. The "NG" was the symbol for Nueva Guatemala or New Guatemala.

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NEWS ROUNDUP – A.N.A.

By NORMA MATHER
Corpus Christi, Texas
A.N.A. Representative

Norma Mather

If Winter comes can Spring be far behind? Br-r-r-r! This is the kind of weather that's conducive to indoor hobbies no? This is the time for researching, for planning and assembling exhibits. The round of shows where those exhibits can be shared is in full swing offering exposure at local level, looking forward to TNA in Fort Worth the last of next month and ANA in Boston August 23-27. In your researching remember that ANA has the largest circulating numismatic library in the country, available for just the postage. Use it! Each month in The Numismatist you will find reviews of books recently added.

Boston's a "fer piece" from us, alright, but Texas just might be represented in the exhibit competition The invitation to "Come to a Tea Party" in the January issue of The Numismatist sounds very promising and exciting

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Another important reason for working on exhibits now is for National Coin Week, April 15-21 You remember that last year the ANA Board of Governors decided to eliminate competition for NCW honors Opposition to the decision was pronounced. BUT—participation in National Coin Week as reported to the chairman far exceeded former years and the board was delighted I've had no news release on the matter but have reason to believe that there will be no competition this year. That amplifies reporting.

The theme this year? That will probably be adopted at the board meeting this month and announced thereafter It's fun to incorporate the theme in your exhibit but it's not essential, so let's get NCW committees busy: get proclamations from mayors, get exhibit space in banks, libraries, etc lined up and exhibits ready for display; get media spots and let our communities know about our hobby.

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Too many TNA members haven't yet joined ANA Why don't they join? They parry that question with, "What could ANA do for me?"

I could take two pages to tell you why, (cf. **ANA Club** Bulletin for Nov., '72) but let J. Oliver Amos, head of Sidney Publishing & Printing Co., publishers of **Coin World**, **World Coins**, and the **Numismatic Scrapbook**, tell it as he did when in December he handed to ANA Pres. John Pittman a donation to ANA of $1,000:

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By MARY JANE WHYBORN

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This will not be a full-fledged column, but merely a reminder to all of you that the TNA convention will soon be upon us, and that I need your nominations for "Junior of the Year" I cannot accept any nominations after March 1, because I must give my judges plenty of time to make their selection. So, all you junior members, remind your club officers and district governors to hurry up and send their nominations to me.

Don't forget the Junior VIP Award! This goes to the junior who signs up the most new members for TNA during the year. The winner is determined from the records of the TNA secretary.

Now, let's get those letters of nomination written! **DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!** See you in Fort Worth.

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LOVE TOKENS—

(Continued from page 7)

Love Tokens are beginning to take their place in the numismatic world. They are being exhibited at many of the major coin conventions by themselves. In the past they would appear with various exhibits mostly coins in connection with jewelry. These went under various titles and always drew a considerable amount of interest.

The Love Token represents an era of our culture that has passed; some of the fine examples of engraving, art and imagination of yesteryear. These are our gifts from the last century. What will we leave?

Don't look at the Love Token with disgust. If someone had not kept them out of circulation the odds are most of them would have been worn out and replaced. Don't be disgusted that they are not what you want them to be, but accept them for what they are. Appreciate the fine engraving on most of them and realize that each has a unique history — one of love.

COLONIAL MINTS OF—

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From the very beginning of its operation, the coins struck at the Guatemalan mint were equal in quality to those minted in Mexico. During the early years of its operation, silver cobs with the value of ½, 1, 2, 4 and 8 reales were struck. Later, Pillar and Bust type coinage with the values of ½, 1, 2, 4 and 8 reales was struck at the mint. The Guatemalan mint began striking gold coins in 1751. Values of 1, 2, 4 and 8 escudos were issued.

The mint at Guatemala struck coins as a colony of Spain until 1822.

Next month we will begin a discussion on the old and the new mints of Mexico.

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Unusually bad weather in December reduced attendance and caused the cancellation of many coin club Christmas parties in this part of Texas. After looking forward to attending five of them, I ended up going to only one. Two were cancelled and icy road conditions discouraged me from going to two others. I hope that you had better luck!

The Dallas Coin Club was one of those that managed to get a break in the weather. Their annual Christmas dinner at the Baker Hotel was a big success, and I had the pleasure of installing their new officers. Details can probably be found in the District V reports.

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If you haven't already done so, please submit your club's nomination for the Junior of the Year award. Many of our junior members are worthy of consideration but they can't win unless you take the time to nominate them. Mary Jane Whyborn is our Youth Chairman and she is anxiously waiting to hear from you.

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Good News! Adna G. Wilde Jr., past executive director of ANA has agreed to participate in our TNA convention educational forum. His subject will be "Lesher Referendum Silver Souvenir Medals." Two of these medals are pictured in the Red Book, but few collectors know much about the numismatic history of the Colorado mining camps at the turn of the century. Wilde will show his Lesher display which won first place in the medals category at the 1972 ANA convention.

Although the name of our second speaker, to be sponsored by the Organization of International Numismatics, is not yet available, you can be sure that the person selected will be someone you will want to hear. We'll see you there!

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from the secretary

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The latest coin of this topical theme is the Israel 1972 10-pound aviation commemorative and in the [illegible] is of a questionable nature because of its lack of known circulated specimens. The coin has a normal high silver content of the pre-1964 circulating silver crown and is also backed up by minor coinage, however, it is not believed to be a circulating medium. The outright fantasy concoction in this theme is the 1967 NCLT 25-Gourdes of Haiti which commemorates the International Airport and shows an airplane on the obverse.

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New officers will head the **Mineral Wells Coin Club** for 1973 and are: George Kesterson, president; Gerald Sparks, vice president; Vaughn Davis, secretary; Mrs. Sparks, reporter; and Bill Graves, Alvin Murphy and Donald Bond, directors. The election was held during the December meeting held at the Crazy Water Hotel with 25 members and guests present.

Lee Waltman gave a talk on the Carson City dollars that are being offered for sale by the mint and gave data on recent price of the dollars. A White Elephant sale was held following the meeting and announcement was made that there would be a dinner party January 4 at the Holiday Inn at which time the installation of the new officers would be held.—**Helen Rust, Reporter.**

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A holiday dinner and party were held for members of the **Graham Coin and Stamp Club** at the Texas Electric Reddy Room during December.

Members enjoyed a swap session and discussion of the Carson City Dollars offered for sale by the United States Mint.—**Helen Rust, Reporter.**

DISTRICT TWO:

H. R. Peppard
Governor

The election of 1973 officers took place at the December meeting of the **Odessa Coin Club** held at Permian Bank & Trust. Forty-one attended the session.

Sam Robinson was elected president; Rev. Sam Urratta, first vice president; Joel Allen, second vice president; Karla von Hungen, secretary; and Dennis Parker, treasurer.

H. R. Peppard was nominated for re-election as TNA governor for District 2.

Engraved trophies were presented to Gus Genze, Ashley Lawson, Rev. Ivan Sides and Mrs. Genze in appreciation for their services as club officers for 1971-72. Plans were announced for the annual coin show to be held September 15-16.

A discussion on type coins, the gold market and silver dollars was conducted by Ashley Lawson and Bob Stanley.—**H. R. Peppard, Gov., Dist. 2.**

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DISTRICT FOUR:

Officers to serve the **Austin Coin Club** were elected recently and include Bob Fitzgerald, president; Gladys Rosborough, vice president; Jo Ann Parker, secretary-treasurer; Keith Johnson, reporter; and Ed Kirkpatrick and Joe Scott, directors.

A past president's medal was presented to E. F. Morrison in appreciation for the inspiring leadership given during his term of office as president. Special drawings were held for both members and guests. Thirty-five attended the meeting.—Lyman Bartee, Sec.

Ray Kirkpatrick
Governor

The regular meeting, Christmas party and election of 1973 officers were on the calendar for December 6 for members of the **Waco Coin Club** at TP&L Service Center.

J. P. Jones, secretary-treasurer gave a brief account of the club's history. The club was organized in 1947 as the **Waco Heart O' Texas Coin Club** and the name was changed in 1960. Activities of the first 12 years were not available as the records had been lost.

In 1963, TNA instituted the Tidwell Literary Award, presented each year to the TNA member whose article published in the TNA NEWS is judged to be the most worthwhile. The late K. K. Tidwell, for whom the award was named, was a long time member of the Waco club with card No. 33.

Club Life Members include the late L. L. Edmonds, active TNA member, Mrs. M. D. Follett, Mel Patton and Robert Schuetze.—**J. P. Jones, Sec.**

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DISTRICT FIVE

R. H. Hewgley
Governor

The **Dallas Coin Club** met at the Baker Hotel for the annual Christmas dinner and installation of 1973 officers. Mrs. Pauline Boone was in charge of table decorations.

Col. Charles A. Wingo, TNA first vice president, conducted the installation ceremony for Edward E. Slade, Jr., president; George F. Johnson, vice president; LCdr. C. C. Andrews, secretary-treasurer.

President Slade presented a past president's medal to outgoing president, Robert L. Hewgley, Jr., who is also TNA governor for District 5. In other business, Slade appointed Thomas C. Bain, ANA representative and LCdr. Andrews, TNA representative. Appointed to the auction committee were Bain, Wingo and Homer Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McGlamery were among the special guests. McGlamery and the late Wm. A. Philpott were co-originators of the Dallas club in 1928. McGlamery was the club's first secretary-treasurer and also served one term as president. Also present was Mrs. U. N. Clary, a long time member, and Bain announced completion of arrangements for inclusion of the coin portion of the late Clary's collection in the 1973 TNA convention auction.

McGlamery exhibited a German (Westphalia) Notgeld coin dated 1923 and having the denomination of one billion Marks, the largest coin denomination known.—LCdr. C. C. Andrews, Sec.

DISTRICT SIX:

Charlotte Nichols
Governor

Members of the **La Marque Coin Club** met December 7 for the annual Christmas party. A covered dish supper and gift exchange highlighted the evening followed by games.

New officers are: J. C. Akey, president; Hugh Threlkeld, vice president; Ruby Threlkeld, secretary-treasurer; and A. A. Graf, Opal Akey, Marguerite Mitchell and Eleanor Lehmann, directors.

A holiday party was to be held December 21 at the home of Ruby and Hugh Threlkeld.—**Ruby Threlkeld, Sec.**

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The annual Christmas party on December 13 was enjoyed by members of the **Galveston County Coin Club** of Texas City. Mrs. I. K. Richardson and Claude Ressler were in charge of table decorations. A covered dish supper was enjoyed, a gift exchange was held followed by informal entertainment.

Special prizes of a 1972 proof set went to Kirk Ressler and serving tray to Ressler.—**Ruby Threlkeld, Reporter.**

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The main attraction at the 16th annual Money Show hosted by the **Greater Houston Coin Club** was the showing of the three coins purchased by World Wide Coin Investments for $230,000 which included a 1913 Liberty Head nickel, an 1804 silver dollar and an 1894-S dime.

The show was held at the Rice Hotel in downtown Houston.—**Chris Lasso, Sec.**

DISTRICT SEVEN:

Ray Whyborn
Governor

Members—30 of them—of the **Alamo Coin Club** met in December at KSAT-TV in San Antonio for the annual Christmas party. A pot luck supper was held followed by a gift exchange and coin bingo.

Activities of the club were included in the Club Bulletin and plans called for an exhibit on January 20 at Wonderland, a talk on early world coins by Bob Krocker and a slide set program.—**John M. Holds, Sec.**

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DISTRICT EIGHT:

Helen Floerke
Governor

Dan Wiley was elected president of the **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi at a recent meeting held at the Wilson Tower. He will be assisted by Cal Lorfing, first vice president; A. S. Heizer, Sr., second vice president; Richard Ricketts, secretary, and John Allen, treasurer.

Ralph Watters, retiring president, gave a brief account of interesting items he had seen in publications and also showed a new type plastic coin holder.

The first meeting in January was to include a games night.—**Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT NINE:

D. O. Joplin was nominated to serve as TNA District 9 governor

by members of the **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. Eighteen members attended the December meeting held at the Reddy Room.

A Christmas theme was used during the evening and special cheers went to the club ladies for the Christmas "goodies" served.—**D. O. Joplin, Gov., Dist. 9.**

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D. O. Joplin
Governor

Twenty-three attended the December meeting of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock held at the Ming Tree Restaurant. Club officers were re-elected and D. O. Joplin was nominated to serve as governor for TNA District 9.

An auction, with coins donated by members, was held with proceeds going to the State School for Retarded Children. Bob Medlar conducted the auction and benefits received amounted to $110.75.—**D. O. Joplin, Gov., Dist. 9.**

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A donation of $60.50 was made to the Great Plains Boys Ranch by members of the **Levelland Coin Club** at the December meeting held at the Spot Restaurant.

James Herstand, one of the officials representing the Boys Ranch, expressed his thanks to the club for their donation and support.

Sixteen were in attendance for the holiday meeting.—**D. O. Joplin, Gov., Dist. 9.**

BRACTEATES

Bracteates are coins of metal stamped with a die on which the design is cut in relief. Thus the design appears depressed on one side and raised on the other.

DISTRICT ELEVEN:

Ernest Cummings
Governor

Officers for the **Amarillo Coin Club** have been announced and include J. O. Baker, president; Kenny Dawes, first vice president; Dwaine Garrett, second vice president; Alan Garrett, secretary; Mrs. Nelda Runkle, treasurer; and D. R. Cervin, TNA representative.

The highlight of the evening for the December meeting was the annual Charity Auction, which resulted in a record $156.80 received. This was the 20th consecutive such auction, all held under the general supervision of Jud Kennedy. For this fine work, Kennedy was elected to Life Membership in the club.

Retiring president, Dave Cervin, complimented the club on their active and wholesome participation in the business part of the meetings, the juniors for their active role, especially in giving programs; and to the club for sponsoring two shows in one year. However, he scored them hard for their unwillingness to take hold of giving programs (except for the juniors) and for their lack of showing understanding and appreciation of the programs given. He also stressed the need for more dedicated workers if two shows were to be held annually.—**Dave Cervin, TNA Rep.**

TRANSPORTATION TOKENS

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DISTRICT THIRTEEN:

W. C. Williams
Governor

"Christmas Around the World" was the topic discussed by Chaplain (Col.) Richard D Trapp of Sheppard Air Force Base at the December meeting of the **Wichita Falls Coin and Stamp Club** held at Furr's Cafeteria.

Chaplain Trapp described Christmas customs of 25 countries and displayed a tree with stamps and coins from the discussed countries. He began his talk with a description of Bethlehem and then from one country to another.

Installation of officers took place and 50 members and their guests enjoyed a holiday party. In charge were Mrs. Woody Taylor, Mrs. Polly Horn, Mrs. H. H. Hallmark, Mrs. Doris Worthen, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Goolsby and W. C. Williams.—**Mrs. G. M. Howard, Publicity.**

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DISTRICT FOURTEEN:

John L. Chisum
Governor

At a recent meeting of the **San Benito Coin Club**, members voted to suspend operations of the club for one year due to lack of interest of persons living in San Benito. Although there are 20 members there is only one who lives in the town who attends regularly. All other members live in other Valley towns.

If interest is shown by San Benito collectors by the end of 1973 the club will resume meetings.—**Oneta Grisham, Reporter.**

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Members of the **Port Isabel Coin Club** are now meeting at the Chuck Wagon on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. for a dinner followed by the business session and program. Thirteen attended the December meeting.

Vice President Don Pruitt presided in the absence of President John L. Chisum who was ill. Pruitt held a discussion on inviting the **Brownsville Coin Club**, who does not sponsor annual coin shows, to combine with the Port Isabel club in the annual coin show held each September.—**Oneta Grisham, Reporter.**

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Twenty four members of the **Harlingen Coin Club** celebrated the holiday season with Christmas cookies furnished by Hector and Ernesto Rodriguez, and coffee and chips brought by Juan Nieto. The December meeting was held at the First National Bank.

Announcement was made that the new officers were to be elected at the January 15 meeting.—**Oneta Grisham, Reporter.**

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Mrs. Oneta Grisham has been elected as president of the **Brownsville Coin Club** and assisting her will be Harry L. Fox, vice president, Robert Smith, secretary, and J. M. Sutton treasurer. The meeting attended by 18 members, was held in December at the First National Bank.

Refreshments were furnished by Mrs. Grisham and Mrs. John Chisum.—**Oneta Grisham, Reporter.**

Members of the **Willacy County Coin Club** met in December for the annual social and Christmas dinner and got exchanged. No business or auctions were conducted.

Meetings are held at the Dew Drop Inn in Lyford.—**Oneta Grisham, Sec.**

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The 12th anniversary celebration of club organization was held by members of the **Hidalgo Coin Club** at Chisum's Rock Shop in Pharr. Two of the original 50 charter members were present—Miriam and Wally Gilmore of Weslaco.

Installation of new officers was conducted by Miriam Gilmore followed by refreshments and a social evening. Bill Doyle was installed as president, John L. Chisum, vice president; Virginia Armstrong, secretary, Annette Fortson, treasurer and L. G. Davenport, retiring president Howard Heath and Jack Fortson, directors. Chisum will represent TNA and Ada Lee Chisum will represent ANA.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks of Corsicana and McAllen Brooks is TNA governor for District 16, and is vacationing in the Valley area.

During the business session it was voted to continue the contest of members exhibiting, giving programs, signing up new members, etc. for points, and the member having the most points to be awarded a prize at the end of the year. It was proved popular in the past with club members and gives those who desire, an opportunity to exhibit their special collections and discuss their main collecting interests.

It was also voted that Miriam Gilmore write to Texas Ranger Jack Dean and express the club's appreciation of his continued efforts the past year in apprehending the persons thought responsible for the robbery of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Norris of McAllen. The Norris', club members, were robbed of their coin collection and personal items valued at over $15,000.—**Miriam Gilmore, Reporter.**

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DISTRICT FIFTEEN:

Jerry Williams
Governor

The newly elected officers for the **Beaumont Coin Club** include Carl Heartfield, president, Jess Bachelder, vice president and Bernice H. Goza, secretary-treasurer. The December meeting was held at First Security Bank in Beaumont.

Jerry Williams, TNA governor for District 15 presented TNA achievement awards to Julie Theodord Victor Butts, Georgia Berry, Jess Bachelder, Shirley Williams, T. G. Brown, Neal Phelan, Sidney King, Carl Heartfield, Bernice Goza, C. L. Babcock and Jerry Williams. These were given for having done an outstanding job in their duties for the year 1972.

A social followed the regular business meeting and "Santa Claus" presented gifts to all attending. Refreshments rounded out the evening.—**Club Bulletin.**

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Jerry Williams of Beaumont, TNA District 15 governor, was elected president of the **Port Arthur Coin Club** at the December meeting held at the M & R Coin Shop. Also elected were Gary Gerald, vice president and, Molly Gerald, secretary-treasurer.

A Christmas theme was carried out during the meeting with Mrs. Ford presenting gifts and Betty Krummel and Molly Gerald serving refreshments.

Announcement was made that the annual coin show would be held

March 10-11 at Thomas Jefferson High School Joe O'Neal will act as general chairman; Richard Krummel will have charge of the bourse; and Jerry Williams will be exhibits chairman. Others serving are Mrs. Hamm, registration and Gary Gerald, publicity

A silver past president's medal was presented to Joe O'Neal, retiring president. — **Shirley Williams, Reporter.**

NEWS ROUNDUP — ANA —

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fact is published internationally.

In 1972, after this "get tough" stand which Mr. Amos commended, ANA did expel 20, some of them life members, and suspended about the same number. To ANA it made no difference how big or how small was an offender, he was expelled just the same.

This month, ANA's board meets to consider what to do about "whizzing" which a special ANA committee has defined as the removal or moving of any metal of a coin. Buffing a coin, burnishing, vaporhoning whisking with a power-driven brass brush, or acid-treating it, removes metal, even though a minute amount, and is called "whizzing."

Why does anyone whiz a coin? To hide worn spots, hairlines, light scratches, so that he can pass it off as being a better condition coin than it really is, so that he can cheat some trusting collector.

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Lafayette Dollar

The Lafayette dollar is the only commemorative dollar-size silver coin struck by the U.S. mint. Although dated 1900, it was struck in 1899. It reads "Lafayette Dollar" instead of "One Dollar" as required by law. The U.S. government donated the silver used, which was never done before. It was the first U.S. coin to bear the portrait of an ex-president which was Washington. Its reverse design, showing the statue of Lafayette is almost identical to the 1953 British Coronation crown of Elizabeth II. The coin was struck for the French International Exposition of 1900 and honored the placing of a statue of Gen. Lafayette in Paris. The issue was limited to 50,000 which sold for $2.00 per coin, however, all were not sold and 14,000 were melted because of the lack of demand.

Flying Eagle 1c

Contrary to the belief of many collectors, the Flying Eagle cent of 1856 was merely a pattern coin and not legal tender when issued. The act that legalized the small-sized copper-nickel cent was not approved until February 21, 1857. That they did circulate is evidenced by the number that are known in good to fine condition. According to most authorities, a sufficient quantity was struck so that each member of Congress as well as Treasury Department officials could be given one or more. All efforts to obtain an official statement as to the exact number has proved futile. Records indicate that the coins were also restruck in the 1860's. Mintage estimates vary from 960 to 10,000.

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